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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

## Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

It is imperative that local broadband providers are given access to markets for fair competition. I recently moved into an area where there are more options than just Comcast and AT&T, and it is fantastic as a consumer to be able to have a choice of providers. The last market I was in was just awful, with only the two major providers. As a result, not only are their a lack of affordable options, but also the providers barely upgrade the infrastructure as their is no incentive too.

I am so grateful to be able to now use a local ISP. The customer service is far superior to that of the giant companies, and the service is much better.

Please do not compromise the integrity of local ISPs being able to fairly compete in local markets. I support broadband competition.

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